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1. BASED UPON JUST COMPLETED DISCUSSIONS BY DEFENSE MINISTERS ON NATO AEW (REPORTED SEPTEL), WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO BEGIN SIGNATURE OF THE PROPOSED STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING (SOU) (REFTEL) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE LUXEMBOURG DELEGATION HAS AUTHORITY TO SIGN AND WE BELIEVE THE DUTCH WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO DO SO IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. ACCORDINGLY, WE REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE AMBASSADOR TO SIGN THE SOU FOR THE US.

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